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PROPOSED CLAIMS
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1. (amended three times) A device for introducing or withdrawing an agent through a body surface, comprising:

a member having a body surface proximal side and a body surface distal side;

said member further having a first surface on the body surface proximal side of the member, a second surface on the body surface distal side of the member and a plurality of protrusions capable of piercing the body surface; said protrusions extending from the first surface ~~and extending towards the body surface~~; and

a connecting medium ~~{capable of storing the agent therein or passing the agent therethrough disposed on at least a portion of the first surface of the member.}~~ disposed on at least a portion of the first surface of the member, said connecting medium capable of storing the agent therein or passing the agent therethrough when the plurality of protrusions have pierced the body surface and said connecting medium is placed in contact with said body surface.

18. (amended three times) A device for introducing or withdrawing an agent through a body surface, comprising:

a member having a body surface proximal side and a body surface distal side;

said member further having a first surface on the body surface proximal side of the member, a second surface on the body surface distal side of the member, an opening therethrough and a plurality of protrusions capable of piercing said body surface; said protrusions extending from the first surface ~~and extending towards the body surface~~; and

a connecting medium ~~{capable of storing the agent therein or passing the agent therethrough disposed on at least a portion of the first surface of the member.}~~ disposed on at least a portion of the first surface of the member and further disposed in the at least one opening, said connecting medium

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capable of storing the agent therein or passing the agent therethrough when the plurality of protrusions have pierced the body surface and said connecting medium is placed in contact with said body surface.

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